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14 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
15 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

16 WALTER ABRAM,

17 Plaintiff,

18 vs.

19 NATIONAL RAILROAD PASSENGER
CORPORATION DBA AMTRAK; and DOES
20 1-50, inclusive ,

21 Defendant.
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Case No. C 12-02381 JSW

**STIPULATION AND ~~PROPOSED~~
ORDER TO RELATE CASES**

1 Plaintiffs Walter Abram (“Plaintiff”) and Defendant National Railroad Passenger
2 Corporation aka Amtrak (“Defendant” or “Amtrak”) hereby stipulate, by and through their
3 respective counsel, as follows:

4 WHEREAS, on or about March 5, 2012, Plaintiffs Derrell Whitley (“Whitley”), Odis
5 Tillis Jr. (“Tillis”), Stanley Jacks (“Jacks”), Willis Frazier III (“Frazier”), Melvin Jones (“Jones”),
6 Tamika McGee (“McGee”), Alesia Styner (“Styner”), Andre Smith (“Smith”), Mark Green
7 (“Green”), Alfred Henry (“Henry”), and Albert Harris (“Harris”) (collectively, the “Whitley
8 Action Plaintiffs”) filed a complaint against Amtrak in Alameda County Superior Court (the
9 “Whitley State Court Action”);

10 WHEREAS, the Whitley Action Plaintiffs are African-Americans who asserted, in the
11 Whitley State Court Action, claims for racial discrimination, racial harassment, retaliation,
12 disability discrimination, violations of medical leave laws, intentional infliction of emotional
13 distress and wrongful termination, arising out of their employment at Amtrak’s Oakland,
14 California facilities;

15 WHEREAS, on or about April 10, 2012, Amtrak timely removed the Whitley State Court
16 Action to the United States District Court for the North District of California (Case No. C 12-
17 01781 JSC)(the “Whitley Federal Court Action”);

18 WHEREAS, on or about May 11, 2012, Plaintiff Walter Abram filed a complaint against
19 Amtrak in the United States District Court for the North District of California (Case No. C 12-
20 02381 JSW)(the “Abram Federal Court Action”);

21 WHEREAS, Plaintiff Walter Abram is African-American and asserted, in the Abram
22 Federal Court Action, claims for racial discrimination, racial harassment, retaliation, disability
23 discrimination, violations of medical leave laws, intentional infliction of emotional distress and
24 wrongful termination, arising out of his employment at Amtrak’s Oakland, California facilities;

25 WHEREAS, Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP is counsel of record for Amtrak in both the
26 Whitley Federal Court Action and the Abram Federal Court Action;

27 WHEREAS, the Law Offices of Paul B. Justi is counsel of records for all Plaintiffs in both
28 the Whitley Federal Court Action and the Abram Federal Court Action;

1 WHEREAS, on August 30, 2012, the Parties in the Whitley Federal Court Action attended
 2 a case management conference during which the Parties discussed, at the suggestion of the
 3 Honorable Jacqueline Scott Corley, the Parties' willingness to stipulate to relate the Whitley
 4 Federal Court Action and the Abram Federal Court Action, solely for purposes of procedural
 5 convenience, and subject to Amtrak's right to move to bifurcate, sever or separate each and every
 6 Plaintiff's claims for individual adjudication or trial;

7 WHEREAS, on August 30, 2012, the Parties in the Whitley Federal Court agreed, during
 8 the case management conference, to stipulate to relate the Whitley Federal Court Action and the
 9 Abram Federal Court Action, solely for purposes of procedural convenience, and subject to
 10 Amtrak's right to move to bifurcate, sever or separate each and every Plaintiff's claims for
 11 individual adjudication or trial;

12 THEREFORE, Plaintiff Walter Abram and Defendant Amtrak hereby stipulate to relate
 13 the Whitley Federal Court Action and the Abram Federal Court Action, solely for purposes of
 14 procedural convenience, and subject to Amtrak's right to move to bifurcate, sever or separate
 15 each and every Plaintiff's claims for individual adjudication or trial;

16 THEREFORE, Plaintiffs Derrell Whitley, Odis Tillis Jr., Stanley Jacks, Willis Frazier III,
 17 Melvin Jones, Tamika McGee, Alesia Styner, Andre Smith, Mark Green, Alfred Henry, and
 18 Albert Harris and Defendant Amtrak hereby stipulate to relate the Whitley Federal Court Action
 19 and the Abram Federal Court Action, solely for purposes of procedural convenience, and subject
 20 to Amtrak's right to move to bifurcate, sever or separate each and every Plaintiff's claims for
 21 individual adjudication or trial.

22 IT IS SO STIPULATED.
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Dated: September 21, 2012

LAW OFFICE OF PAUL B. JUSTI

By /s/ Paul B. Justi

PAUL B. JUSTI
Attorneys for Plaintiff
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STANLEY JACKS; WILLIS FRAZIER,
III; MELVIN JONES; TAMIKA McGEE;
ALESIA STYNER; ANDRE SMITH;
MARK GREEN; ALFRED HENRY; and
ALBERT HARRIS

Dated: September 21, 2012

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By /s/ Philip J. Smith

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FILER'S ATTESTATION

I, Philip J. Smith, am the ECF user whose identification and password are being used to file Defendant National Railroad Passenger Corporation aka Amtrak's, as well as Plaintiff Walter Abram's, Derrell Whitley's, Odis Tillis Jr.'s, Stanley Jacks', Willis Frazier III's, Melvin Jones', Tamika McGee's, Alesia Styner's, Andre Smith's, Mark Green's, Alfred Henry's, and Albert Harris' Stipulation To Relate Cases. In compliance with L.R. 5-1(i)(3), I hereby attest that Paul B. Justi concurs in this filing.

/s/ Philip J. Smith

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CORPORATION aka AMTRAK

PURSUANT TO STIPULATION, IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: September 24, 2012

Jacqueline S. Corley
HON. JACQUELINE SCOTT CORLEY
United States Magistrate Judge